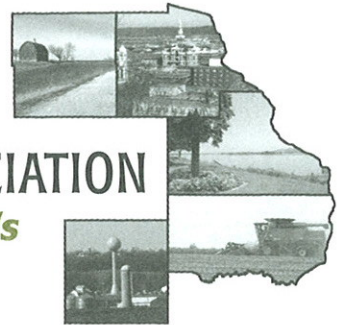


EAST CENTRAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL ASSOCIATION

A Regional Response to Local Needs



August 2, 2010

7600 Commerce Park
Dubuque, IA 52002

Iowa Finance Authority
Attn: Joseph Jones
2015 Grand Ave.
Des Moines, IA 50312

Dear Joseph:

The City of Sabula is applying for I-Jobs II Disaster Prevention Grant program and USDA Rural Development Community Facilities program funding to assist in the cost of certifying their levee system to FEMA. The I-Jobs II program requires certification that appropriate staff have been contacted to assure there is no duplication of benefits in the project.

ECIA has been working with the City of Sabula on its USDA Rural Development application. The contact person for the USDA RD for this project is Sheri Rice in the Tipton, IA regional office. Sheri's phone number is 563-886-6006, ext. 4. The USDA RD staff will assure there is no duplication of benefit in this project.

Thank you for your consideration of the Sabula application. Please feel free to contact me if there is any further question on the application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Schneider'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Mark' being more prominent.

Mark Schneider
Community Development Director